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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 493

Introduced by Assembly Member Salinas (Coauthors: Assembly Members Bermudez and Cogdill)

February 14, 2003

An act to amend Section 50650.3 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 493, as amended, Salinas. CalHome Program.

The existing CalHome Program authorizes funds appropriated for purposes of the program to be used to enable low- and very low income households to become or remain homeowners.

Funds are provided by the Department of Housing and Community Development to local public agencies or nonprofit corporations for grants for programs that assist individual households or as loans that assist development projects involving multiple homeownership units, including single-family subdivisions. Grant funds may be used for first-time homebuyer downpayment assistance, home rehabilitation, homebuyer counseling, home acquisition and rehabilitation, or self-help mortgage assistance programs, or for technical assistance for self-help and shared housing homeownership. Loan funds may be used for purchase of real property, site development, predevelopment, and construction period expenses incurred on homeownership development

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projects, and permanent financing for mutual housing or cooperative developments.

This bill would authorize CalHome Program financial assistance to be provided as a secured forgivable loan to an individual household to rehabilitate, repair, or replace manufactured housing in a mobilehome park that is not permanently affixed to a foundation. The bill would limit the funds used for that assistance to 10% of the funds available to the CalHome Program in a fiscal year.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 50650.3 of the Health and Safety Code 2 is amended to read:

50650.3. (a) Funds appropriated for purposes of this chapter shall be used to enable low- and very low income households to become or remain homeowners. Funds shall be provided by the department to local public agencies or nonprofit corporations as either of the following:

- (1) Grants for programs that assist individual households.
- (2) Loans that assist development projects involving multiple homeownership units, including single-family subdivisions.
- 10 (b) Grant funds may be used for first-time homebuyer downpayment assistance, home rehabilitation, homebuyer counseling, home acquisition and rehabilitation, or self-help mortgage assistance programs, or for technical assistance for self-help and shared housing homeownership. Loan funds may be used for purchase of real property, site development, predevelopment, and construction period expenses incurred on homeownership development projects, and permanent financing for mutual housing or cooperative developments. Upon completion of construction, the department may convert project loans into grants for programs of assistance to individual 22 homeowners. Financial assistance provided to individual households shall be in the form of deferred payment loans, repayable upon sale or transfer of the homes, when they cease to be owner-occupied, or upon the loan maturity date. Financial assistance may be provided in the form of a secured forgivable loan to an individual household to rehabilitate, repair, or replace

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manufactured housing located in a mobilehome secured forgivable loan to an individual household to rehabilitate, repair, or replace manufactured housing located in a mobilehome park and not permanently affixed to a foundation. The loan shall be due and payable in 20 years, with 10 percent of the principal to be forgiven annually for each additional year beyond the 10th year that the home is owned and occupied by the borrower. All Not more than 10 percent of the funds available for the purposes of this chapter in a fiscal year shall be used for financial assistance in the form of secured forgivable loans.

 (c) All loan repayments shall be used for activities allowed under this section, and shall be governed by a reuse plan approved by the department. Those reuse plans may provide for loan servicing by the grant recipient or a third-party local government agency or nonprofit corporation.